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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW

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RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Slaughter steers and heifers sold steady to 50¢ lower for the week at most midwest markets with Good and Choice steers weighing above 1300# 50¢-1.00 lower at Chicago. Increased marketings prompted the moderate downturns in the face of higher dressed prices. Trends on slaughter cows were 50¢-1.00 lower as cow beef declined \$1.00-1.50. Stockers and feeders were fully 50¢ higher at Omaha and strong to 50¢ up at Denver, but steady to 50¢ lower at Sioux City and Kansas City and 50¢-1.00 off at Oklahoma City, other points steady. Barrows and gilts were steady to 25¢ higher over most of the Corn Belt with sows steady to 50¢ higher. Spring slaughter lambs were generally steady to 25¢ higher, but declined 50¢ at Chicago and Kansas City.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES - Price trends on slaughter steers and heifers at midwest terminals were uneven but generally steady to 50¢ lower. At St. Joseph prices declined as much as 75¢ on heifers and Chicago recorded a 50¢-1.00 lower trend on Good and Choice steers weighing over 1300#, but declines were of very moderate proportions at most points. Steer prices in St. Paul were fully steady and heifers were steady to 25¢ higher, and in Chicago most heifers were steady to 50¢ higher with a few Standard and low-Good steady to 50¢ lower. A broad Eastern outlet prompted a steady to strong trend on all Prime steers in Chicago. Cow prices were generally 50¢-1.00 lower, influenced by a sharp downturn in the dressed trade. Bulls sold 25¢-1.00 lower. Vealers were steady at St. Paul, but \$1.00-2.00 lower at St. Louis. Receipts at the 12 terminals were increased fully 11 percent and the largest since mid-January. Part of the increase was due to expanded stocker and feeder marketings. However, the number of slaughter steers and heifers sold out of first hands at the 7 markets at 120,209 was the largest since mid-June. The decidedly bearish influence which ordinarily accompanies liberal supplies was softened to a great extent by upturns on steer and heifer beef. Good and Choice slaughter steers and heifers continued to predominate in receipts at most points. Only a moderate number high-Choice and Prime steers were offered at most terminals but in Chicago the percentage of Prime was 14 percent.

Bulk of the Choice 900-1350# steers brought \$23.00-24.50 with most Good 900-1250# at \$21.50-23.50, with some high-Good and Choice 1350-1600# at \$21.75-23.75. High-Choice and Prime steers sold at \$24.25-25.00 with many loads 1100-1400# from \$24.50-25.75 in Chicago where 6 loads Prime 1175-1320# cashed at \$26.00-26.50. High-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime heifers sold from \$23.50-24.00 while Choice brought \$22.50-23.75 and Good \$21.00-22.50. Utility and Commercial cows bulked at \$14.00-16.50, Canner and Cutter \$12.00-15.00.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES - Marketings of stocker and feeder cattle and calves expanded seasonally. Much of the increase was composed of yearling and two-year-old steers while supplies of stock calves continued relatively small. Most of the supply was made up of Good and Choice cattle. There was considerable unevenness during the week in price trends and degree of trading activity at the different markets. Omaha recorded fully 50¢ higher prices and sales at Denver were strong to 50¢ higher. However, at Kansas City and Sioux City prices were steady to 50¢ lower, Oklahoma City 50¢-1.00 lower, others steady.

Good and Choice 800-1100# feeder steers brought \$21.50-24.50, load Choice 850# \$24.75. At Kansas City, Choice and Fancy 800-950# brought \$24.00-24.50. Medium and low-Good steers sold from \$19.00-22.00. At Omaha, two loads of Choice and Fancy 584# yearling stock steers cleared \$28.25. A few loads of Choice 531-550# brought \$27.00-27.25. Majority of the Good and Choice 525-775# steers realized \$23.00-26.50, Medium and low-Good \$20.00-23.50. Good and Choice stocker and feeder heifers sold from \$21.50-25.50, including Good fleshy 783# at \$21.50 and Choice fleshy 740# offerings at \$22.80, Medium and low-Good heifers \$18.00-21.50. A part load of Choice and Fancy 300# steer calves at Sioux City reached \$36.00 with the 300# heifer mates at \$33.00. Most Good and Choice stock steer calves sold from \$24.50-28.50 with a few loads of 300-450# reaching \$32.00. Good and Choice stock heifer calves brought \$22.00-26.50 with a few lots Choice to \$28.00.

HOGS - Terminal Markets - Hot and humid weather over much of the Corn Belt proved but little deterrent to marketings of hogs at the 12 centers during the last week in August. Supplies were about 1,700 head over the preceding week and were 26,000 head above the same week of last year. As in recent weeks No. 1-3, 200-260# barrows and gilts accounted for the bulk of the receipts with weights over 260# being very scarce. However, butchers below 200# were in rather liberal supply at some points and occasionally met narrow demand. Sow supplies were somewhat below the preceding week, making up 15 percent of the 8-market total. Prices for barrows and gilts were generally steady to 25¢ higher although St. Louis recorded a weak to 25¢ lower trend. St. Paul at the other extreme was 25-50¢ higher. Sows ranged from steady to 50¢ higher, several markets recording 25-50¢ upturns. At most centers shippers and packers competed rather actively for supplies although toward the close of the week shipper demand diminished at some points because of

the long weekend holiday. At Kansas City, shippers took 39 percent of the receipts, but at St. Joseph purchases for outside accounts totaled only 36 percent or a drop of 9 percent from the previous week.

On Friday, most U. S. No. 1-3, 190-260# barrows and gilts sold at \$18.50-19.00. Some U. S. 1-2 at \$19.00-19.25. U. S. 1-3, 250-400# sows sold at \$15.50-17.50, 400-550# \$13.50-16.00, selected lots No. 1-2 250-300# \$17.75-17.85.

Average cut-out value advantage of U. S. No. 1 over No. 3 live basis 200-220# barrows and gilts was 93¢ per cwt. based on wholesale carlot prices of fresh pork cuts at Chicago August 24 to August 30, 1961, inclusive.

Feeder pigs were steady to strong. At Sioux City, Good and Choice 130-170# weights \$15.50-16.00. Good and Choice 130-160# feeders at St. Paul \$16.50-17.00.

HOGS - Receipts in the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area totaled around 291,000 head, an increase of 4 percent from the preceding week and of 16 percent when compared with a year earlier. Bulk of the barrow and gilt supply consisted of 200 to 230# weights while sows were estimated at 13 percent of receipts. Prices fluctuated within narrow bounds and barrows and gilts closed steady to 10¢ higher and sows mainly 25¢ higher. On Friday, mixed No. 1-3 200-240# butchers sold from \$17.60-18.15 with a limited volume No. 1 and 2 \$17.75-18.50. No. 1 to 3 270#-400# sows brought \$14.75-17.00; 400-550#, \$12.85-14.90.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Supplies at the 12 terminals totaled 101,000, compared to 86,000 the previous week and 96,000 during the corresponding week last year. Spring slaughter lambs comprised the bulk of receipts and included a few more shorn lambs. Approximately 30-35 percent of lamb supplies at Denver and Sioux Falls were feeders. Compared with the previous Friday, closing prices on spring slaughter lambs were mostly steady to 25¢ higher, although sales at Chicago and Kansas City were 50¢ lower. Shorn slaughter ewes sold mainly steady. Feeder lambs brought mostly steady prices, however Fort Worth was 50¢-1.00 higher and St. Paul around 50¢ lower.

Most Choice and Prime 80-113# spring slaughter lambs sold from \$17.00-18.25, few to \$18.50 at St. Louis. At Denver and Chicago Choice and Prime 85-110# lambs went at \$18.25-19.00 and Choice to mostly Prime 92-97# range lambs brought \$19.00-19.35 at Denver. Most Choice spring lambs cleared at \$16.00-18.00, a few Good and Choice from \$14.50-16.00. Choice and Prime 87-111# shorn spring lambs with No. 1 to 3 pelts brought \$16.25-17.50 with sales at Chicago at \$18.00-18.50. Good and Choice shorn lambs moved at \$14.50-16.50. Cull to Choice shorn slaughter ewes ranged \$2.00-5.00.

Good and Choice 55-77# spring feeder lambs brought \$13.00-15.00 and limited volume mostly Choice and Fancy western lambs \$15.00-16.00.

Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area sheep and lamb receipts at 17,000 head were around 21 percent more than the previous week, but about the same as a year ago. Closing spring lamb sales were steady to weak, instances 25¢ lower, other slaughter classes mainly steady.

Choice and Prime 80-105# spring slaughter lambs delivered to packing plants brought \$16.50-17.00 on Friday with few mostly Choice \$16.00; Good and Choice \$14.00-16.00. Cull to Good shorn slaughter ewes sold from \$1.50-3.50.

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Note: Shrink on most range and feedlot sales none to 5 percent, mostly 4 percent f.o.b. some with short haul and 3 percent shrink. All sales for immediate delivery unless specified.

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, AND UTAH - Expanded volume of both slaughter steers and heifers sold out of California and Arizona feedlots, prices averaging mostly steady; continued good demand for stocker and feeder cattle and calves, trend mostly steady. Slaughter and feeder lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: In California, load Choice 900# \$25.25, and 64 loads mostly Choice 975-1100# \$25.00; in California and Arizona bulk Good and Choice 950-1250# \$23.75-24.50, few \$24.75; bulk Good 850-1275# \$23.00-23.50; Standard and Good 900-1100# \$20.75-22.50.

Slaughter heifers: In California, 3 loads mostly Choice 825# \$24.00; over California and Arizona Good and Choice 760-970# \$22.75-23.75; few loads Standard to mostly Good 700-825# \$22.00.

Stockers and feeders: For current to October delivery - Choice 300-375# calves, steers \$28.00, heifers \$26.00-27.00; Choice and Fancy 350-450#, steers \$26.00-27.00, heifers \$24.00-25.00; Choice and Fancy 400-575# with steers \$24.75-25.50, heifers \$23.00-23.50; Choice 550-750# steers \$23.50-24.00; Good and Choice 550-875# steers \$22.00-23.00.

Lambs: In California, few loads mostly Choice 90-105# slaughter lambs with No. 1 to full woolled pelts \$16.50-17.50, bulk \$17.00-17.25. In Utah, 10,000 woolled mixed slaughter and feeder with Choice and Prime 90-95# slaughter \$17.25-17.50, Choice and Fancy 75# feeder end \$14.50; 9,500 expected 30-60 percent Choice and Prime slaughter, balance Choice and Fancy feeders \$14.80-15.50; 4,000 Good to mostly Choice 60# whiteface feeder lambs \$13.25.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN KANSAS AND WESTERN NEBRASKA - Slaughter cattle direct at feedlots moderately active but on Friday turned very active. Slaughter steers steady to 25¢ higher, heifers fully steady to 15¢ higher. In Colorado, 145 loads Choice 1050-1250# slaughter steers \$23.50-24.75,

numerous loads \$24.00-24.50; 3 loads high-Choice and Prime 1500-1600# \$23.00; 17 loads high-Good and Choice 1100-1200# \$23.00-23.85. About 75 loads Choice 850-1000# slaughter heifers \$23.25-24.15. Western Nebraska: Load mostly Choice 1100# slaughter steers \$24.00. Western Kansas: Four loads Good and Choice slaughter heifers 1000# \$22.25.

Demand for stocker and feeder cattle good at fully steady prices. Colorado, 3,000 Good to mostly Choice 625-750# feeder steers \$23.00-24.50, large share \$23.50-24.00, part of these mid-September-early October delivery. Wyoming, Good and Choice 815-930# two-year-old steers \$23.15-24.00; 1,200 mostly Choice 650-715# steer yearlings \$23.50-24.25; 350 Good to mostly Choice 565-700# heifers \$22.75-24.00, mostly \$23.00-23.75; 375 Choice 400-425# steer calves \$28.00; 500 mostly Choice mixed calves 350-375# \$100.00 per head; 400 mostly Good stock cows with calves at side \$215.00-245.00 per pair. Nebraska, 125 Choice 1025# two-year-old steers \$23.50; 700 head Good to mostly Choice 575-675# heifers \$23.50-24.25. The first Sandhill Cattle Association sale of the season held at Harrison, Nebraska on Wednesday offered around 2,400 head. Around 20 loads mostly Choice 786-1066# two-year-old steers \$22.70-23.90; 5 loads Choice 624-696# steers \$23.30-24.55, load Choice 566# \$25.25; 48 loads mostly Choice 540-720# heifers \$23.30-24.60, large share \$24.00-24.60. Package Choice 511# heifers \$25.30.

Slaughter lambs steady to 50¢ higher. In Colorado, over 6,000 Choice and Prime 85-97# range lambs \$17.15-17.50 weighing point or \$19.00 delivered and weighed at packing plants. Few loads Choice and Prime 95-100# San Luis Valley lambs \$17.75-18.50. Around 1,000 72-76# mostly Choice range feeder lambs \$14.00 f.o.b. weighing point. Wyoming, 4,000 Good to mostly Choice 65-70# feeder lambs \$13.25-13.50.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Clovis Area - Slaughter cattle in good demand, prices steady. Stockers and feeders firm and bulk of the fall supply has been contracted.

Slaughter steers, 928 Good and Choice 990-1150# \$23.50-24.00, 195 Good, Choice end, 910-1050# \$23.50-23.70, latter delivered plant. Slaughter heifers, 630 Good and Choice 800-870# \$23.00-23.25, 320 Good 700-775# \$23.00-23.25.

Stockers and feeders: Fall delivery - Steers, 125 Choice 650# \$23.50, 375 Choice 565# \$25.00; 3,500 Good and Choice 675-800# \$22.00-23.50, Good mainly \$22.00. Heifers, 500 mostly Choice 640# \$22.50, 200 Choice 550# \$23.00, 1,100 Good 640# \$21.00. Stock calves, fall delivery: Total 2,700 Choice 375-450#, steers \$26.00-28.00, heifers \$24.00-25.00, 1,400 Choice 325-350#, steers \$29.00-30.00, heifers \$26.00-28.00. Stock cows, 1,300 Medium to mostly Good \$13.00-15.00, current delivery.

Lambs - Demand broad for feeder lambs from Kansas wheat operators and for ewe replacements to California outlets. Slaughter lambs firm, feeders fully 50¢ higher.

Slaughter spring lambs, 500 Choice and Prime 86# \$15.00, 1,000 Choice 90# \$14.50. Feeders, 13,000 head string Choice and Fancy 75-77#, estimated 25% Choice and Prime slaughter end, \$13.25; 17,500 Choice and Fancy 67-76# wethers \$11.50-12.00, ewes \$13.00-13.50.

Amarillo Area - Slaughter cattle mostly steady, stockers and feeders steady to strong.

Slaughter steers, 75 Good and Choice 1025-1100# \$23.00-23.25; 380 Good, few Choice 900-1025# \$22.50-22.80, 95 Standard and Good 1000# \$21.05. Slaughter heifers, 520 mostly Choice 925-1031# \$23.00, 180 Good and Choice 700-880# \$22.50-23.00; 400 Utility cows \$14.00.

Stockers and feeders: Immediate delivery, 60 Good 775# steers \$23.00 delivered, 100 Medium and Good 650# \$21.50, 500 Choice 650# heifers \$22.50. Fall delivery, 1,350 Choice 725-825# steers \$22.75-24.00, 740 Good to mostly Choice 625-675# heifers \$22.00-22.50. Stock calves: Immediate, 67 Choice 527# steers \$25.50, 175 Good and Choice 480# steers \$26.00, heifers \$24.00. Fall delivery, 640 Choice and Fancy 370# steers \$30.00, 230 Choice 440-500# steers \$28.00-29.00, 1,500 Choice 410-440# steers \$26.00-27.00, heifers, \$24.00-25.50.

IDAHO, OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Limited sales of slaughter steers and heifers fully steady, stocker and feeder cattle and calves as well as spring lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: Good to mostly Choice 950-1200# \$24.00-25.50. Slaughter heifers: Good and Choice 850-925# \$22.00-23.00.

Stockers and feeders: Good and Choice 550-800# steers \$22.25-23.50, heifers \$21.00-22.00, for September. Good to Fancy 400-450# calves, steers \$25.00-27.00, heifers \$23.00-25.00, for September and October.

Spring slaughter lambs: Choice and Prime woolled and shorn 93-105# \$14.75-16.50.

Spring feeder lambs: Choice and Fancy 65-85# \$13.00-13.65.

MONTANA AND NORTHERN WYOMING - Stocker and feeder cattle and calves slow, steady. No confirmed sales on slaughter cattle. Sheep and lambs fairly active, steady to strong.

Stockers and feeders, 1,650 Good to mostly Choice yearlings, for up to October, 700-800# steers \$23.00-24.00, 625-700# heifers \$21.00-23.00; 200 Choice 600-650# heifers \$23.50, 450 Choice and Fancy 900-950# steers \$23.25-23.50.

Stock calves: For up to November, Choice 275-475#, steers \$28.00-30.00, heifers \$25.50-28.00; Good and Choice 375-450#, steers \$26.00-28.00, heifers \$24.00-26.00.

Sheep: For September-October, 15,000 Choice 80-90# feeders \$14.00; 21,500 Good and Choice 70-85# feeders \$13.00-13.75; 1,100 Medium and Good aged breeding ewes \$5.00-8.00 per head with slaughter end sorted off at \$2.00 per head.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
	: 1961	: 1960	: 1961	: 1960	: 1961	: 1960	: 1961	: 1960
Chicago	42,651	43,959	107	301	25,123	23,750	5,539	3,844
Cincinnati	3,656	3,380	697	666	12,105	10,894	1,849	1,275
Denver	10,139	9,918	366	154	4,928	4,566	33,137	39,656
Fort Worth	11,400	10,563	2,340	1,921	2,044	2,669	6,372	5,860
Indianapolis ..	8,379	8,398	778	767	33,010	30,233	3,777	3,673
Kansas City ...	20,230	22,447	1,179	1,463	17,159	11,989	3,916	4,063
Oklahoma City .	14,239	12,302	1,439	1,611	3,076	3,749	786	1,162
Omaha	39,984	41,002	694	596	36,232	27,256	11,876	10,915
St. Joseph	16,523	18,492	596	534	21,869	20,122	4,639	4,626
St. Louis NSY .	16,435	16,129	1,862	2,707	49,363	52,293	6,937	5,312
Sioux City	34,974	33,312	1,661	500	26,489	21,822	7,597	6,109
S. St. Paul ...	22,727	20,472	4,324	4,174	45,639	41,500	14,352	9,640
Total	241,337	240,374	16,043	15,394	277,037	250,843	100,777	96,135
" Aug. 26, 1961	217,172		13,190		275,298		85,565	

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA -				Sept. 2, 1961	Aug. 26, 1961	Sept. 3, 1960
Hogs				291,000	281,000	250,000*
Revised Sheep				17,000	14,100	17,100

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended		
	Aug. 31	Aug. 24	Sept. 1
	: 1961	: 1961	: 1960
Steers - 1001# up	693	132	752
901-1000	2,490	1,342	2,534
801-900	5,270	4,065	5,703
701-800	6,111	5,078	6,701
501-700	14,481	9,484	14,384
Total steers 10 markets....	29,045	20,601	30,074
Av. wt. " " "	714#	715#	721#
Av. cost* " " "	\$23.16	\$23.07	\$21.34
" " " Chicago	23.24	22.48	22.72
" " " Kansas City...	22.88	23.19	20.97
" " " Omaha	23.90	23.64	22.55
" " " S. St. Paul...	21.15	21.16	20.77
" " " Sioux City....	23.92	24.03	23.17
" " " Denver	23.59	23.07	21.63
" " " Ft. Worth	23.27	21.67	20.00
" " " Oklahoma City.	22.22	22.96	19.15
" " " S. St. Joseph.	22.85	22.75	20.29
" " " St. Louis NSY.	22.14	22.59	20.26
Total calves - 10 markets..	15,176	10,238	13,478
" heifers " "	6,367	4,443	5,678
" cows " "	1,230	738	720

* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market.

ESTIMATED PERCENT OF STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chi- cago	Kan- sas City	Omaha	S. St. Joseph	St. Louis NSY	Sioux City	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	Den- ver	Ft. Worth	Okla. City	Wich- ita	San Antonio
Stockers and feeders													
Sept. 1, 1961	1	47	13	14	14	34	5	12	20	65	69	51	50
Aug. 25, 1961	1	42	16	15	17	32	5	12	9	65	67	48	50
Sept. 2, 1960	2	50	16	17	8	24	7	5	25	65	75	44	60
Slaughter cows													
Sept. 1, 1961	3	11	9	5	12	4	25	10	25	20	10	21	15
Aug. 25, 1961	3	11	8	5	14	5	20	10	17	25	11	21	15
Sept. 2, 1960	5	9	10	7	15	7	18	8	25	20	14	20	15

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/								
Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	Aug. 31 1961	Sept. 1 1960	Aug. 31 1961	Sept. 1 1960	Aug. 31 1961	Sept. 1 1960	Aug. 31 1961	Sept. 1 1960
CHICAGO								
Prime.....	4,658	3,373	14.3	10.3	1,250	1,224	24.91	25.90
Choice.....	20,418	20,017	62.9	61.2	1,203	1,171	24.18	24.74
Good.....	6,364	8,251	19.6	25.2	1,061	1,055	23.50	23.42
Standard.....	811	874	2.5	2.7	1,010	1,022	22.11	20.80
Commercial.....	40	--	.2	--	1,544	--	21.51	--
Utility.....	171	199	.5	.6	971	961	20.74	18.86
All grades.....	32,462	32,714			1,176	1,142	24.11	24.44
OMAHA								
Prime.....	364	92	2.0	.5	1,198	1,253	24.33	24.96
Choice.....	11,330	9,421	60.7	51.1	1,158	1,153	23.57	24.04
Good.....	6,008	7,479	32.2	40.6	1,052	1,051	22.70	22.59
Standard.....	904	1,276	4.9	6.9	1,027	1,041	21.05	19.66
Utility.....	46	165	.2	.9	902	910	19.06	17.82
All grades.....	18,652	18,433			1,118	1,102	23.20	23.15
SIOUX CITY								
Prime.....	193	284	1.4	2.0	1,233	1,255	24.45	25.14
Choice.....	8,942	8,139	63.6	58.1	1,190	1,146	23.62	24.10
Good.....	3,833	4,535	27.2	32.4	1,084	1,045	22.75	22.63
Standard.....	936	986	6.7	4.5	1,063	1,017	21.20	19.79
Utility.....	155	64	1.1	.5	983	876	19.61	17.59
All grades.....	14,059	14,008			1,151	1,105	23.22	23.37
KANSAS CITY								
Prime.....	116	--	2.0	--	1,171	--	24.63	--
Choice.....	2,832	2,609	48.1	46.5	1,131	1,118	23.98	24.12
Good.....	2,502	2,164	42.5	38.6	1,048	1,065	23.06	22.56
Standard.....	354	807	6.0	14.4	1,024	1,023	21.07	20.51
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	79	31	1.4	.5	992	1,036	19.40	17.29
All grades.....	5,883	5,611			1,088	1,084	23.40	23.00
ST. LOUIS NSY								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	1,554	2,013	25.0	39.3	1,078	1,070	24.13	24.06
Good.....	3,757	2,398	60.5	46.8	1,018	989	23.11	22.55
Standard.....	825	503	13.3	9.8	972	930	21.60	19.91
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	78	209	1.2	4.1	847	908	19.76	17.67
All grades.....	6,214	5,123			1,025	1,012	23.15	22.76
S. ST. JOSEPH								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	4,205	3,755	59.4	47.8	1,147	1,119	23.81	24.14
Good.....	2,579	3,794	36.4	48.4	1,071	1,067	22.81	22.80
Standard.....	296	234	4.2	3.0	1,081	1,059	20.82	19.94
Utility.....	--	61	--	.8	--	868	--	17.18
All grades.....	7,080	7,844			1,116	1,090	23.34	23.34
DENVER								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	2,715	1,776	85.4	69.1	1,145	1,206	23.95	24.79
Good.....	394	780	12.4	30.3	1,103	1,121	22.40	23.53
Standard.....	70	10	2.2	.4	1,007	1,164	19.34	17.95
Utility.....	--	5	--	.2	--	907	--	16.50
All grades.....	3,179	2,571			1,137	1,179	23.67	24.39

1/ Data collected by Statistical Reporting Service, and Livestock Division, A.M.S.

WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

City or Area	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Boston, New York City Area	12,459	12,024	13,276	12,335	44,484	45,248	42,782	37,405
Baltimore, Philadelphia	9,227	9,101	1,970	1,872	32,315	23,655	3,678	3,739
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls .	20,794	21,714	3,802	5,328	114,452	126,431	15,702	15,738
Chicago Area*	18,029	19,744	6,593	7,942	36,548	28,994	6,515	5,085
St. Paul- Wisc. Areas	30,540	31,525	16,003	13,699	100,116	85,377	14,195	14,430
St. Louis Area	12,508	12,832	1,613	2,143	76,316	72,553	5,597	4,376
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area	30,551	25,908	--	--	87,624	75,492	11,644	15,753
Omaha Area	41,089	41,978	164	67	72,241	66,798	11,331	15,652
Kansas City	15,067	16,350	--	--	33,267	28,703	--	--
Iowa - So. Minnesota	27,990	35,853	1,557	6,982	218,853	248,072	25,362	33,604
Lou'1, Evan'1, Nash'1, Mph's ...	7,716	7,541	3,268	4,298	52,467	54,311	--	--
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area ...	11,048	9,165	5,674	3,689	21,857	26,885	--	--
St. Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City.	20,357	21,192	1,257	1,058	37,502	33,425	6,826	5,723
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio.	12,640	12,090	4,666	5,808	14,551	13,176	32,121	26,585
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City .	24,932	20,179	164	224	13,728	15,221	57,038	36,611
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas ..	26,440	29,206	1,099	1,412	27,992	28,829	28,763	28,755
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	9,285	8,308	380	428	16,191	14,745	8,852	8,939
Total	330,672		61,486		1,000,504		270,406	
		334,710		67,285		987,915		252,395
Accumulation to date	10,762,657		2,034,079		36,184,749		9,171,272	
		10,575,644		2,312,990		38,594,409		8,349,221

*Revision: Week Aug. 26, 1961 - Chicago area., Cattle 18,516, calves 6,274.

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and mutton		Total	Total
	Num- ber	Prod.	Num- ber	Prod.	Num- ber	Prod.	Num- ber	Prod.	meat prod.	lard prod.
	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	mil.lb.	mil.lb.
Sept. 2, 1961.....	415	245.7	100	12.9	1,190	161.5	300	13.5	433.6	--
Aug. 26, 1961.....	390	229.7	95	12.5	1,150	157.3	275	12.6	412.1	--
Aug. 12, 1961 1/.....	394	--	84	--	1,113	--	293	--	--	35.7
Sept. 3, 1960 1/.....	407	231.4	106	13.9	1,135	153.8	266	12.2	411.3	36.9

Percentage change from:

Aug. 26, 1961	6	7	5	3	3	3	9	7	5	--
Sept. 3, 1960	2	6	-6	-7	5	5	13	11	5	--

Week ended	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs		Lard
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	yield per 100 lb.
	2/		2/		2/		2/		
Sept. 2, 1961	1030	592	230	129	236	136	95	45	--
Aug. 26, 1960	1025	589	235	132	238	137	96	46	--
Aug. 12, 1961	1030	592	240	134	240	137	95	45	--
Sept. 3, 1960	998	569	234	131	235	136	97	46	13.6

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		North Portland	
	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
<u>Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers</u>										
Steers -										
Prime 900-1100#	25.12	25.72	--	--	24.80	25.45	--	--	--	--
1100-1300	24.98	25.97	--	--	24.80	25.58	--	--	--	--
Choice 900-1100	24.38	24.70	24.38	24.75	23.82	24.15	23.88	25.00	25.12	25.88
1100-1300	23.88	24.57	23.98	24.50	23.80	24.15	23.88	24.88	--	--
Good 900-1100	23.38	22.57	23.12	22.75	22.32	22.00	21.50	21.58	23.62	24.25
Standard - All wts.	21.92	20.95	20.88	20.12	20.70	19.35	19.00	18.00	21.00	21.00
Heifers -										
Choice 700-900#	23.12	23.35	23.25	23.75	23.22	23.65	23.45	24.62	23.25	23.75
Good 600-800	--	--	22.12	22.00	21.82	21.22	--	21.28	21.50	22.75
Standard - All wts.	20.12	18.45	20.38	19.00	20.30	18.38	18.25	17.75	19.25	20.00
Cows - All weights -										
Commercial	15.00	14.50	16.08	15.62	16.32	15.88	--	--	15.50	16.00
Utility	14.58	14.27	15.48	14.75	15.65	14.85	16.35	15.15	15.00	14.75
Cutter	14.25	13.60	14.82	14.00	14.65	13.75	15.22	13.72	13.00	12.50
Canner	13.15	11.47	13.78	12.75	13.92	12.98	13.92	12.50	11.25	11.00
Bulls - All weights -										
Commercial	19.30	17.40	18.08	17.58	18.82	17.38	--	--	--	--
Utility	19.80	18.15	18.25	17.85	18.82	17.00	19.88	17.50	19.00	19.25
Calves - 500# down -										
Choice	--	--	22.55	19.20	--	--	--	--	--	--
Good	--	--	20.35	17.60	--	--	--	--	--	22.00
Standard	--	--	18.35	16.00	--	--	--	--	--	19.00
Vealers - All wts. -										
Choice	--	24.50	24.50	22.00	25.00	21.50	--	--	25.19	26.00
Good	--	23.00	22.00	20.00	23.25	19.25	--	--	24.00	24.00
Standard	--	19.50	19.00	17.50	20.25	16.50	--	--	21.00	21.00
<u>Stocker and feeder cattle and calves</u>										
Steers -										
Choice 500-800#	--	25.75	25.75	24.45	26.12	25.52	25.88	25.50	22.75	23.00
Good 500-800	--	23.00	23.98	22.10	24.38	23.00	22.75	23.50	21.75	20.75
Medium 500-1000	--	19.75	21.90	19.25	21.50	19.50	19.75	19.75	18.25	19.00
Heifers -										
Choice 500-750#	--	--	23.62	22.50	24.50	23.75	23.75	22.88	21.00	22.00
Med. & Gd. 500-750	--	--	20.88	19.50	20.75	19.62	20.50	19.50	17.50	18.50
Cows - All wts. -										
Med. & Gd.	--	--	--	14.12	16.00	14.75	--	14.75	--	--
Calves - 300-500# -										
Steers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	28.30	25.50	27.75	25.95	29.25	--	24.00	23.75
Heifers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	25.25	22.50	25.50	24.20	27.50	--	--	22.00

HOOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS

In dollars per 100 pounds

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HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

		St. Louis	Kansas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indianapolis	Eight mts. com-bined
Week ended		Chicago	Nat'l. Stock Yards						
AVERAGE COST -		Dollars per 100 pounds							
Barrows and gilts	Sept. 2, 1961	18.36	18.43	18.48	18.62	18.58	18.50	18.30	18.47
	Aug. 26, 1961	18.23	18.45	18.41	18.54	18.49	18.48	18.27	18.42
	Sept. 3, 1960	15.35	15.37	15.28	15.58	15.46	15.31	15.29	15.41
Sows	Sept. 2, 1961	15.66	15.71	15.69	15.93	15.92	15.95	15.58	15.74
	Aug. 26, 1961	15.47	15.63	15.47	15.83	15.75	15.66	15.57	15.60
	Sept. 3, 1960	13.31	13.66	13.64	13.76	13.57	13.82	13.53	13.55
AVERAGE WEIGHT -		Pounds							
Barrows and gilts	Sept. 2, 1961	221	211	221	221	225	220	219	219
	Aug. 26, 1961	223	213	221	220	222	222	219	219
	Sept. 3, 1960	222	209	221	225	228	221	218	218
Sows	Sept. 2, 1961	391	394	388	390	375	371	373	424
	Aug. 26, 1961	390	396	402	379	374	378	373	420
	Sept. 3, 1960	401	376	391	380	377	363	368	418
NUMBER OF HEAD -									
Barrows and gilts	Sept. 2, 1961	17093	41904	15129	27110	19389	18059	31895	27743
	Aug. 26, 1961	19245	40899	13743	23729	21530	16381	31322	27697
	Sept. 3, 1960	16284	46871	10332	18835	17023	16775	28306	24766
Sows	Sept. 2, 1961	4618	3932	1589	7208	5952	3043	6806	3218
	Aug. 26, 1961	5659	3875	1423	7630	6660	2641	8205	3357
	Sept. 3, 1960	4437	3994	1041	6312	3992	2365	6674	3440
SOWS -		Percentage of total							
Sept. 2, 1961		21	9	10	21	23	14	18	10
Aug. 26, 1961		23	9	9	24	24	14	21	11
Sept. 3, 1960		21	8	9	25	19	12	19	12

1/ Weighted average.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG, COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

Week ended	Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
Sept. 2, 1961	\$19.99	\$18.62	\$1.37
Aug. 26, 1961	19.95	18.51	1.44
Sept. 3, 1960	17.79	15.66	2.13

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1,2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts 1/ Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn 2/ No. 3 yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Sept. 2, 1961	18.36	110.8	16.6
Aug. 26, 1961	18.23	113.2	16.1
Sept. 3, 1960	15.35	118.3	13.0

1/ Weighted average. 2/ Simple average.

Greasy domestic worsted wools continued in good demand in the Boston market at firm prices. Approximately 17 cars were sold. There was good outlet for practically all grades of wool. Sales of woolen wools subsided compared to the previous week but prices held steady. Noils were slow to move with quotations from Bradford, England on noble noils advancing 2-5 pence in the last ten days.

Range sales in the territory States were limited and activity in the fleece wool States was dull while a good volume of fall wool sold late last week at Del Rio, Texas.

The Australian markets opened August 28 with a poor selection of free wools consisting mainly of "B" and "C" fault types at Sydney. Quotations were about 5 percent higher than the Newcastle close in July. At Melbourne auctions resumed with a good selection of topmaking merino wools and advances of 2½-5 percent compared to the Adelaide closing sale. Japan was the principal operator with the Continent supporting and general competition. At midweek merino wools were one penny lower with crossbred wools unchanged at Melbourne. Trading was slow at the New Zealand and South African markets. There were occasional sales of carpet type wools in Buenos Aires while Montevideo remained dormant.

Fleece Wools - Graded fine Ohio delaine wool sold at \$1.25-1.26 while graded 64s average French combing fleeces brought \$1.15 and graded 60/62s good French combing and staple Ohio wool brought \$1.15. Graded 60/62s average French combing fleece wool sold at \$1.10.

Territory Wools - Graded territory 56/58s staple and good French combing wool sold at \$1.08-1.10 clean basis while 58s California lambs wool brought around 75¢ clean. Graded 50/54s staple wool moved at \$1.06.

Range sales follow: Washington - About a car of lambs wool sold at 34¢ grease basis, f.o.b. Supplies in Montana remain very small with not enough sales to be of consequence.

Texas Wools: There were occasional sales of original bag good French combing and staple 12 months wools in Texas at an estimated clean cost of \$1.30 delivered Boston. At the Del Rio sale late last week approximately 750,000 pounds of fall wool sold. Ewes wool brought around 46-48¢ but generally 47-48¢ grease basis to the warehouse and lambs wool moved at 48-52¢, mostly 49-50¢ grease basis. Dealers estimated these fall wools would range from \$1.03-1.07 scoured basis, delivered East.

Mohair - Occasional sales were made in Texas at 81½¢ for adult and \$1.16½ for kid hair to the warehouse with extra kid selling from \$1.25-1.35 depending on defect. The demand for 24s mohair top continued for worsted consumption.

Foreign Wools - Spot foreign wools were slow. Buenos Aires 36/40s Nov. combing wools sold for shipment around 77½¢ clean fibers present. A reputation clip of approximately 750,000 pounds

sold in Montevideo to local industry as follows: 58s around \$1.00, 56s about 98¢ and 50s at 95¢ clean basis, in bond. Cabled reports at week's end follow with combing wools converted to clean U. S. oil-combed yields and short wools to scouring yields, in bond.

Australia

Oil-combed

61 - \$1.23	78A - \$1.13
62 - 1.18	79 - 1.11
62A - 1.13	422 - 1.11
63 - 1.11	423 - 1.07
77 - 1.17	424 - 1.06
78 - 1.15	435 - 1.03

South Africa

Oil-combed Scoured yields

7 - \$1.13	
12 - 1.11	17 - \$1.07
47 - 1.12	22 - 1.06
48 - 1.10	27 - 1.02
52 - 1.10	32 - .98
53 - 1.07	

Montevideo

Super Skirted

64s - \$1.08	58/56s - .95
60/64s- 1.06	56/50s - .93
60s - .99	50s - .91
60/58s- .97	

Carpet Wools - Spot carpet wools were slow. Quotations were firm. A greasy Buenos Aires poor style March wool was offered for shipment at 71¢ clean fibers present while Nov. wools were unchanged around 77¢, good March wool at 72½¢ and fleeces around 79-79½¢. New Zealand offerings were unchanged.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

Scoured Pulled Domestic	Greasy Pulled Foreign
60s 2-2½" Good wh. \$1.10	(Clean basis, Duty paid)
56/58s 1½-2" ch. wh. 1.00	56/58s 2-3" Ch. \$1.10 for shipment
1-2" gray shank wool .62	
56/58s wh. shearlings .73	
Scoured Pulled Foreign	
56/58s 2-3" ch. wh. \$1.15	
50/56s 2-4" ch. wh. 1.13	

Noils

Ch. 64/70s Aust. nobles	93¢
Clear 64s Aust. nobles	91¢
Semi-clear 64s Aust. nobles	85¢
Clear 62s Aust. nobles	90¢
Ave. style 62s Aust. nobles	82¢
Clear 64/70s Cape Schlums	72¢
Semi-clear 64s B.A. Schlums	60¢

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - Aug. 31, 1961
(Furnished by the Wool Associates of the New York Cotton Exchange)

October wool tops - \$1.648 (Bid)
December wool tops- 1.642 (Bid)
64s grade - 2.55" minimum length
October wool - \$1.224 (Traded)
December wool - 1.239 (Traded)
64s grade - 2½" ave. stretched length

WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

LESS THAN CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

EASTERN SEABOARD - Steer beef sold steady to \$1.00 higher; cow beef steady to \$1.00 lower; veal steady to \$3.00 higher and calf at New York fully \$1.00 higher; spring lamb steady to \$1.00 higher, except at Washington, steady to \$2.00 lower; pork loins \$1.00-3.00 higher, except New York, mostly steady, instances \$1.00 higher; Boston butts steady to \$1.00 higher; spareribs steady; fresh skinned hams \$3.00-5.00 lower at most market centers.

Prices were strong to \$1.00 higher at the close for kosher steer forequarters; lamb, veal and calf steady.

Clearance was mostly complete on the Eastern Seaboard, aside from some beef chucks unsold late at Washington. Supplies of beef and lamb were mostly normal; veal, calf and pork moderate to normal. Total receipts at Philadelphia were curtailed slightly, particularly evident late in the week. Trading on beef and veal was moderately active under generally good demand. Beef ribs, steak cuts and hinds under 175# moved best, Lamb was only moderately active; at New York chucks, loins and ribs outsold legs, and carcass sales were below normal. Demand for pork was fairly broad with best action at midweek. Fresh skinned hams lagged at New York due primarily to poor demand from the processing channels.

CHICAGO - Steer and heifer beef sold mostly steady, instances 50¢ higher, veal and spring lamb steady, pork loins 8-16# \$4.00-4.50 higher, Boston butts 4-8# \$1.00 higher, spareribs 3# and down 50¢-\$1.50 higher.

Veal supply continued small while other fresh meat was in about normal volume. Beef for the most part graded Choice, with a slight decrease in the volume of Prime. Bulk of the spring lamb fell in the 35-50# bracket, and most pork loins scaled 8-12#.

Carcass beef trading was rather slow as primal cuts accounted for the bulk of the movement at wholesale levels. Loins and particularly ribs 38# and down had broad outlets, ribs working higher. Spotty chuck and round movement at the outset improved and from Wednesday on trade ruled moderately active. A moderate early demand for veal narrowed on late sessions but small offerings cleared. A moderately active trade prevailed on spring lamb. All primal lamb cuts moved well except legs. All listed pork cuts were in fair demand, loins scoring daily advances. Current pork loin prices were the highest since July 12th.

PACIFIC COAST - Prices on steer and heifer beef were steady to 50¢ lower; cow steady to 50¢ higher, the advance in California. Veal and calf held steady. Spring lamb sold steady to

\$1.00 lower in California, but steady to \$1.00 higher in the Northwest. Fresh pork was steady to \$2.00 higher, except some volume sales loins \$1.00 lower in Los Angeles. Smoked skinned hams steady to \$3.00 lower, other pork mostly steady, except sliced bacon \$1.00-2.00 higher in Los Angeles.

Supplies most meats moderate but adequate for pre-holiday demand. Choice steer over 700# and cow beef in moderate to small supply. Spring lamb supply burdensome in Los Angeles. Demand moderate for most meats.

CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

MIDWEST CARLOT DRESSED MEAT SUMMARY - Choice steer beef closed \$1.00-1.50 higher for the week with Good steady to \$1.00 higher; Choice heifer beef 50-75¢ higher, Good steady to 25¢ higher. Cow beef declined \$1.00-1.50. Spring lamb sold 50-75¢ higher. Pork loins were \$2.50-3.00 higher, butts 50¢-\$2.00 higher, fresh hams \$4.50-5.00 lower. Pork carcasses mostly 15-50¢ higher.

Supply of all classes normal with demand moderately good except rather poor on fresh hams.

Closing prices f.o.b. plant basis.

Steer beef: Choice 600-800# \$37.25-38.50, Good 600-700# \$36.00-37.50, Good 700-800# \$35.50-37.00.

Heifer beef: Choice 500-700# \$36.50-37.00, few loads \$37.50, Good 500-700# \$34.75-35.50.

Cow beef: Canner, Cutter and Utility \$28.50-30.00.

Spring lamb: Choice and Prime 35-55# \$35.50-37.25.

Pork: Loins 8-12# \$44.50-46.50, instances \$47.00, butts 4-8# \$32.00-34.00, fresh hams 12-16# \$39.50-40.00. U. S. 1-2 and 3 135-155# carcasses \$26.00-27.35, 155-175# \$25.90-27.15.

Based on reports from major slaughtering centers - Omaha, Kansas City, Sioux City, Sioux Falls, St. Paul, St. Joseph, and St. Louis and the Interior Iowa and So. Minnesota area.

CARLOT SUMMARY - Chicago, Denver, New York and Philadelphia. Steer beef at Chicago was mostly 50¢ higher, at New York 50¢-\$1.00 higher, Denver \$1.00 higher and Philadelphia 75¢-\$1.50 up. Heifer beef sold 25-50¢ higher at Chicago, mostly 50¢-\$1.00 higher at Denver and up \$1.00-1.50 at Philadelphia. Cow beef was mostly \$1.00-1.50 lower. Spring lamb held steady at New York, mostly 50¢ higher at Denver, \$1.00 up at Chicago and \$1.00-1.50 higher at Philadelphia. Pork loins were \$4.00 higher at Chicago.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES - LESS THAN CARLOT BASIS
Weekly average of daily quotations in dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
		Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
		1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Steer beef -									
Prime	700-800#	42.25	43.50	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	600-700	40.75	42.10	39.75	41.75	40.88	42.00	39.38	41.00
	700-800	40.75	41.85	39.00	40.25	39.25	40.50	38.50	39.50
Good	500-600	40.25	41.10	38.75	40.50	40.12	40.50	38.50	39.50
	600-700	39.75	40.85	38.75	40.50	38.75	39.50	37.75	38.00
Heifer beef -									
Choice	500-600#	--	--	39.00	40.75	39.75	41.50	38.81	41.00
	600-700	--	--	39.00	40.75	39.38	40.00	38.31	39.50
Good	500-600	--	--	37.25	38.68	--	--	--	38.50
Veal -									
Prime	90-120#	59.00	55.00	57.00	52.50	--	--	--	--
Choice	90-120	52.50	50.00	51.00	49.50	--	--	--	--
Good	90-120	48.50	45.00	49.00	46.00	52.00	51.00	--	--
Spring lamb -									
Prime	45-55#	40.90	43.70	38.88	43.06	38.25	40.00	38.81	41.88
Choice	45-55	40.90	43.20	38.88	43.06	38.25	40.00	38.81	41.88
Fresh pork -									
Loins	8-12#	49.45	46.90	47.12	45.25	52.00	52.00	50.25	48.62
Butts	4-8	38.00	36.10	35.50	33.50	41.00	43.50	39.88	39.50
Spareribs	3# down	50.00	45.00	46.69	41.50	53.00	51.00	50.75	44.00
Cured pork -									
Hams, smk. skd. -(Cook before eating) 12-16#		49.00	43.10	49.75	47.50	49.50	49.00	48.88	46.50
Bacon, smoked, sliced - 1# package (box lots)		57.00	50.40	58.75	52.50	61.25	55.00	60.00	54.00
Picnics, smoked - (Cook before eating) 4-8#		33.50	29.60	35.50	32.75	35.00	33.50	33.00	31.88
Lard, 1# carton		15.25	15.10	14.75	14.75	17.75	17.00	17.38	16.00

BULK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED SEPT. 1, 1961

Classification		Prices paid F.O.B.			Prices delivered	
		Chicago	Denver	Omaha	New York	Philadelphia
Steer beef -						
Choice	600-700#	38.00-38.50	37.00-37.50	37.25-37.75	39.50-40.00	40.00-40.50
	700-800	38.00-38.50	37.00-37.50	37.00-37.50	39.50-40.00	39.50-40.50
	800-900	37.00-37.50	35.00-36.50	36.25-36.50	38.50-39.00	38.50-39.00
Good	500-600	37.00-37.50	--	--	38.50-39.50	--
	600-700	37.00-37.50	34.50-37.00	36.25-37.25	39.00-40.00	38.00-39.25
	700-800	36.50-37.00	34.50-37.00	35.75-36.25	38.50-39.50	37.50-38.50
Heifer beef -						
Choice	500-600#	37.25-37.50	36.00-39.00	36.50-36.75	--	--
	600-700	37.25-37.50	36.00-36.75	36.50-36.75	--	39.00-40.00
Good	500-600	35.50-36.00	34.00-34.50	34.75-35.25	--	--
	600-700	35.50-36.00	--	34.75-35.25	--	--
Cow beef - All weights -						
Utility		29.00-30.00	29.00-30.00	28.50-29.25	--	30.00-31.50
Canner and Cutter		29.00-30.00	--	28.00-29.25	--	29.50-30.00
Spring lamb -						
Prime	30-45#	36.50-37.50	--	--	38.00-40.00	39.00-40.00
	45-55	36.50-37.50	--	--	38.00-39.00	39.00-39.50
	55-65	36.50-37.50	--	--	38.00-39.00	38.00-39.00
Choice	30-45	36.50-37.50	35.00-36.50	35.75	38.00-40.00	39.00-40.00
	45-55	36.50-37.50	35.00-36.50	35.75	38.00-39.00	39.00-39.50
	55-65	36.50-37.50	--	35.75	38.00-39.00	38.00-39.00
Fresh pork -						
Loins	8-12#	46.00-47.00	--	45.50-46.50	--	48.00-48.50

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR LIVESTOCK, FEED AND WOOL ^{1/}

Commodity and unit			Aug. 15 1961	July 15 1961	June 15 1961	Aug. 15 1960	Average Jan. 1947- Dec. 1949
Prices received by farmers -							
Hogs	Per cwt.	Dol.	17.20	16.50	15.70	16.30	21.90
All beef cattle	" "	"	20.20	19.10	19.40	19.60	20.20
Cows	" "	"	14.60	14.20	15.00	13.70	--
Steers and heifers	" "	"	22.30	21.00	21.10	21.90	--
Calves	" "	"	23.30	22.90	23.10	21.50	22.60
Sheep	" "	"	4.78	4.89	4.88	5.12	9.15
Lambs	" "	"	15.90	16.00	15.90	17.30	21.90
Wool ^{2/} ^{3/}	Per lb.	"	.412	.413	.423	.398	.460
Corn	Per bu.	"	1.04	1.05	1.03	1.07	1.64
Oats	" "	"	.603	.642	.626	.578	.852
Barley	" "	"	.951	.924	.868	.801	1.37
Hay, all baled	" ton	"	19.50	19.30	19.10	19.40	22.40
Cottonseed	" "	"	49.90	49.00	--	38.90	71.60

Aug. av.
1950-59Hog-corn price ratio ^{3/} -

United States	Bushel	16.5	15.7	15.2	15.2	13.9
N. Central States	"	16.9	16.0	15.4	15.5	14.2
Iowa	"	17.3	15.9	15.5	16.0	--
						1947-49

Index numbers: (Av. Jan. 1910-Dec. 1914 = 100)

All farm products	241	237	234	234	271
Feed grains and hay	154	156	152	152	230
Meat animals	302	288	286	290	334

Prices paid by farmers -

Commodities & services, interest, taxes, and wage rates	301	300	300	298	250
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^{1/} Estimates of Crop Reporting Board.^{2/} Average local market price, excluding incentive payment. ^{3/} Monthly average.^{4/} Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 lbs. of hog, live weight.EFFECTIVE PARITY PRICES FOR LIVESTOCK, FEED AND WOOL ^{1/}

Commodity and unit			Adjusted base prices ^{2/}	Effective parity prices ^{3/} based on data for		
				Aug. 1961	July 1961	Aug. 1960
Hogs	Per cwt.	Dol.	7.08	21.30	21.20	21.30
Beef cattle	" "	"	7.87	23.70	23.60	23.60
Calves	" "	"	8.70	26.20	26.10	26.10
Lambs	" "	"	8.38	25.20	25.10	25.50
Wool	Per lb.	"	.249 ^{4/}	.749	.747	.739
Corn	" bu.	"	.538	1.62	1.61	1.62
Oats	" "	"	.279	.840	.837	.837
Barley	" "	"	.415	1.25	1.24	1.26
Cottonseed	" ton	"	20.80 ^{4/}	62.60	62.40	66.80

^{1/} Parity prices are computed under the provisions of Title III, Subtitle A, Section 301 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended by the Agricultural Acts of 1948, 1949, 1954, and 1956.^{2/} Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 120-month, January 1951-December 1960 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 253 percent (the 120-month average of the Index of Prices Received by Farmers adjusted to include an allowance for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments) unless otherwise noted.^{3/} Effective parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These parity prices are the legally applicable parity prices for the following calendar month.^{4/} Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 season average prices 1951-60 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations).

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS INSPECTED WHEN OFFERED FOR IMPORTATION
(USDA - ARS - Meat Inspection Division)

July 1961

Country of origin	Fresh meats and edible offal			Cured meats	
	Beef and Veal	Lamb and Mutton	Pork	Beef	Pork
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina	--	--	--	3,625	--
Australia	10,706,262	2,080,720	--	--	--
Brazil	--	--	--	--	--
Canada	3,322,264	3,028	2,017,828	1,608	318,504
Denmark	--	--	--	--	--
Germany	--	--	--	--	8,760
Holland	--	--	--	--	11,746
Ireland	4,956,434	--	--	--	9,183
Mexico	1,375,594	--	1,925	40,000	--
New Zealand	3,248,663	128,465	8,114	--	--
Paraguay	--	--	--	--	--
Poland	--	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	--	--	--	--	--
All others	1,921,095	6,030	--	21,550	17,508
Total - July 1961 ...	25,530,312	2,218,243	2,027,867	66,783	365,701
July 1960 ...	41,499,586	4,227,704	3,200,165	244,533	560,424

Refused or condemned:

July 1961 ...	31,532	120	--	8,818	4,239
July 1960 ...	26,028	15,740	360	--	1

Country of origin	Canned meats			Cooked beef	Sausage (Trichina treated)	General miscel- laneous	Total
	Beef	Pork	Miscel- laneous				
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina	4,228,502	--	22,446	478,900	--	60,152	4,793,625
Australia	18,000	--	--	--	--	9,520	12,814,502
Brazil	2,140,729	--	--	--	--	--	2,140,729
Canada	3,090	81,059	3,858	--	4,230	283,619	6,039,088
Denmark	--	2,950,690	525,280	--	233,431	--	3,709,401
Germany	--	33,999	623	--	17,756	--	61,138
Holland	--	2,977,420	59,849	--	8,622	--	3,057,637
Ireland	--	--	--	--	--	--	4,965,617
Mexico	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,417,519
New Zealand	--	--	--	--	--	--	3,385,242
Paraguay	861,955	--	--	--	--	--	861,955
Poland	--	1,377,762	513,678	--	--	--	1,891,440
Uruguay	1,553,586	9,000	--	--	--	27,664	1,590,250
All others	53,972	561,817	114,009	--	41,331	600	2,737,912
Total - July 1961	8,859,834	7,991,747	1,239,743	478,900	305,370	381,555	49,466,055
July 1960	6,029,034	9,340,823	806,497	310,601	247,744	242,382	66,709,493

Refused or condemned:

July 1961	62,057	71,264	15,341	--	4,200	--	197,571
July 1960	1,547	11,059	25,698	--	4,899	--	85,332

Note: In addition to the above, imports of horse meat (in pounds) were as follows:

July 1961 - Canada 7,412; July 1960 - Argentina 89,425, Canada 31,503, Mexico 25,000.

Federally inspected slaughter in the United States, by months, 1955-61

CATTLE

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.-Dec.
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
1955	1,521	1,313	1,524	1,452	1,560	1,641	1,524	1,797	1,752	1,693	1,662	1,617	19,055
1956	1,697	1,484	1,566	1,545	1,646	1,679	1,728	1,774	1,617	1,959	1,807	1,696	20,186
1957	1,851	1,488	1,514	1,499	1,665	1,535	1,759	1,726	1,627	1,801	1,515	1,473	19,454
1958	1,630	1,309	1,630	1,383	1,468	1,506	1,561	1,479	1,561	1,647	1,302	1,437	17,642
1959	1,441	1,219	1,334	1,433	1,412	1,473	1,557	1,450	1,539	1,586	1,462	1,552	17,459
1960	1,564	1,437	1,577	1,412	1,606	1,692	1,592	1,797	1,782	1,746	1,625	1,576	19,394
1961	1,632	1,435	1,627	1,502	1,754	1,785	1,628						

CALVES

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.-Dec.
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
1955	563	517	360	596	588	610	550	646	710	728	700	633	7,499
1956	602	596	647	604	606	596	610	691	661	872	763	605	7,843
1957	657	550	632	613	580	535	596	615	639	742	598	569	7,324
1958	547	468	518	485	438	430	435	424	471	541	441	474	5,672
1959	424	377	423	406	358	366	382	359	415	471	438	456	4,875
1960	413	389	482	394	378	397	374	450	514	516	502	451	5,259
1961	427	385	457	378	381	364	341						

HOGS

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.-Dec.
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
1955	5,519	4,638	5,491	4,472	4,164	3,713	3,428	4,475	5,144	6,144	6,857	7,324	61,370
1956	6,705	5,922	6,327	5,252	4,875	4,326	4,199	4,559	4,979	6,347	6,559	5,698	65,748
1957	5,655	4,985	5,380	5,000	4,884	3,994	4,185	4,418	5,060	6,094	5,505	5,523	60,682
1958	5,531	4,453	4,818	4,963	4,444	4,209	4,326	4,515	5,219	5,911	5,258	5,814	59,462
1959	5,885	5,686	5,733	5,652	4,970	4,902	5,184	4,977	5,767	6,646	6,337	6,968	68,707
1960	6,516	5,841	6,116	5,571	5,483	5,086	4,304	5,208	5,165	5,407	5,707	5,753	66,153
1961	5,744	5,078	6,110	5,049	5,597	5,093	4,320						

SHEEP AND LAMBS

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.-Dec.
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
1955	1,223	1,080	1,244	1,180	1,228	1,205	1,076	1,239	1,344	1,248	1,162	1,155	14,393
1956	1,329	1,163	1,216	1,129	1,063	1,084	1,168	1,268	1,167	1,439	1,139	1,062	14,228
1957	1,333	1,091	1,011	1,061	1,133	1,044	1,200	1,111	1,104	1,210	958	978	13,234
1958	1,061	940	1,000	1,149	1,122	1,042	1,013	950	1,045	1,131	883	1,061	12,397
1959	1,322	1,080	1,143	1,101	1,017	1,056	1,107	1,010	1,177	1,200	1,070	1,192	13,466
1960	1,237	1,076	1,088	1,054	1,110	1,137	1,113	1,240	1,323	1,353	1,192	1,114	14,036
1961	1,300	1,117	1,311	1,247	1,358	1,252	1,126						

Data furnished by Agricultural Research Service.

CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION ^{1/}

	Number (000 omitted)			Percent				
	July	June	Jan.-	July	July	June	Jan.-	July
	1961	1961	July 1961	1960	1961	1961	July 1961	1960
Cattle:								
Steers	978	1,057	6,490	879	60.1	59.2	57.1	55.2
Heifers	327	380	2,531	322	20.1	21.3	22.3	20.2
Cows	299	325	2,186	364	18.4	18.2	19.2	22.9
Bulls and Stags	23	23	155	27	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.7
Total ^{2/}	1,627	1,785	11,362	1,592	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners and Cutters ^{3/}	140	157	1,070	173	8.6	8.8	9.4	10.9
Hogs:								
Sows	648	682	3,060	568	15.0	13.4	8.3	13.2
Barrows and Gilts	3,646	4,380	33,742	3,710	84.4	86.0	91.2	86.2
Stags and Boars	26	31	189	26	.6	.6	.5	.6
Total ^{2/}	4,320	5,093	36,991	4,304	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep and Lambs:								
Lambs and Yearlings	1,055	1,168	8,342	1,009	93.7	93.3	95.8	90.7
Sheep	71	84	369	103	6.3	6.7	4.2	9.3
Total ^{2/}	1,126	1,252	8,711	1,112	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

^{1/} Based on reports from packers. ^{2/} Totals based on rounded numbers.^{3/} Included in cattle classification.CLASSIFICATION OF BARROW AND GILT SLAUGHTER
AS REPORTED BY COOPERATING PACKERS

Month	Hogs	Barrows and Gilts reported separately			
	slaughtered under	Firms	Head	Barrows	Gilts
	Federal inspection	reporting			
	Number	Number	Number	Percent	Percent
1961					
Jan.....	5,744,000	28	1,234,000	53.20	46.80
Feb.....	5,078,000	28	1,419,000	52.39	47.61
Mar.....	6,110,000	28	1,154,000	52.90	47.10
Apr.....	5,049,000	27	1,085,000	51.78	48.22
May.....	5,597,000	23	1,041,000	50.08	49.92
June.....	5,093,000	25	866,000	49.56	50.44
July	4,320,000	26	786,000	49.21	50.79

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION, BY CLASSES, OF CATTLE SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Region	Steers	Heifers	Cows	Bulls and Stags	Canners and Cutters, all classes
	July	July	July	July	July
	1961	1961	1961	1961	1961
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N. Atlantic States	73.9	74.0	1.3	1.7	23.2
S. Atlantic States	55.9	44.7	6.0	6.7	35.9
N. C. States-Eastern	61.7	54.5	14.8	14.4	21.7
N. C. States-N. Western	61.2	59.4	24.8	22.6	13.0
N. C. States-S. Western	66.8	58.0	18.8	18.8	22.3
S. Central States	36.0	30.6	13.6	13.1	47.7
Mountain States	55.8	23.5	31.9	57.6	11.7
Pacific States	62.2	64.7	17.1	15.8	18.6

UNITED STATES FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

	July		Jan.-July		Percentage	
	1961	1960	1961	1960	July 1961 of	5-yr. av.
Number slaughtered under Federal inspection: (thousands of head)						
Cattle	1,628	1,592	11,363	10,879	102	99
Calves	341	374	2,732	2,827	91	71
Hogs	4,320	4,304	36,991	38,918	100	97
Sheep & lambs	1,126	1,113	8,711	7,814	101	101
Average live weight: (pounds)						
Cattle	1,043.9	1,012.0	1,049.0	1,038.3	103	105
Calves	231.5	235.5	215.0	211.5	98	97
Hogs	247.1	245.7	242.2	238.3	101	101
Sheep & lambs	93.3	95.8	100.2	100.4	97	100
Average cost to packers: (dollars per 100 pounds)						
Cattle	20.24	21.91	21.47	22.80	92	95
Calves	21.54	22.36	23.69	24.04	96	103
Hogs	16.94	17.00	16.95	15.04	100	97
Sheep & lambs	15.86	17.58	16.03	19.30	90	81
Dressings yields: (per 100 pounds live weight)						
Cattle	58.3	57.6	58.0	57.6	--	--
Calves	56.4	57.7	56.2	57.0	--	--
Hogs 1/	76.5	76.5	76.6	76.6	--	--
Sheep & lambs	48.5	47.2	49.0	48.5	--	--
Lard per 100#	13.9	13.9	13.7	13.7	--	--
Lard per animal	34.4	34.1	33.2	32.5	--	--
Average dressed weight: (pounds)						
Cattle	608.6	582.9	608.7	597.9	--	--
Steers 2/	674.8	646.9	--	--	--	--
Heifers 2/	543.7	529.2	--	--	--	--
Cows 2/	490.6	491.2	--	--	--	--
Calves	130.6	135.9	120.9	120.6	--	--
Hogs	189.0	188.0	185.6	182.5	--	--
Sheep & lambs	45.2	45.2	49.1	48.7	--	--
Condemnations: 3/ (number of head)						
Cattle	4,398	3,935	32,797	31,647	--	--
Calves	755	831	10,326	11,854	--	--
Hogs	8,943	7,877	70,829	67,611	--	--
Sheep & lambs	6,825	7,180	43,413	42,261	--	--
Total dressed weight - Excluding condemned: (thousands of pounds)						
Beef	987,824	925,508	6,896,125	6,485,716	107	107
Veal	44,471	50,667	329,154	339,575	88	69
Pork (carcass wt.)	814,833	807,753	6,853,719	7,091,352	101	98
Lamb & mutton	50,579	49,974	425,405	378,645	101	101
Total 4/	1,897,706	1,833,901	14,504,403	14,295,289	103	102
Pork, excl. lard	612,558	607,007	5,176,643	5,360,181	101	99
Lard production 5/	148,457	146,486	1,225,889	1,264,555	101	96
Rendered pork fat	6,852	6,436	49,552	49,949	106	91

1/ Subtract 7.0 to obtain reported packer style average. 2/ Also included with cattle.

3/ Partly estimated. 4/ Totals based on unrounded numbers. 5/ Includes rendered pork fat.

ACTUAL FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND REVISED ESTIMATE OF MEAT PRODUCTION, BY WEEKS,

	Cattle				Calves				Hogs				Sheep and lambs				Lard	
Week ended	Num-ber	Av. dr.	Prod. wt.	1000 lb. mil. lb.	Num-ber	Av. dr.	Prod. wt.	1000 lb. mil. lb.	Num-ber	Av. dr.	Prod. wt.	1000 lb. mil. lb.	Num-ber	Av. dr.	Prod. wt.	1000 lb. mil. lb.	Total meat per prod. 100#	Yield per prod. 100#
July	8	343	611	209.6	66	129	8.5	936	144	134.4	238	45	10.8	363.3	14.0	32.6		
	15	419	605	253.5	94	129	12.1	1103	144	158.3	292	45	13.0	436.9	14.0	38.7		
	22	400	605	242.0	87	132	11.5	1027	142	145.4	280	45	12.5	411.4	13.8	35.2		
	29	379	608	230.5	79	132	10.4	1034	139	143.3	259	45	11.6	395.8	14.0	35.1		

1/ Excludes lard.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, UNITED STATES, JULY 1961 1/

Month and period	Cattle				Calves			
	Federally inspected	Other commercial	Total	Av. live weight	Federally inspected	Other commercial	Total	Av. live weight
	Thousand head	Thousand head	Thousand head	Pounds	Thousand head	Thousand head	Thousand head	Pounds
July 1961.....	1,627.5	455.2	2,082.7	1,017	341.3	202.8	544.1	243
July 1960	1,591.7	478.5	2,070.2	987	373.7	232.3	606.0	246
Jan.-July 1961 2/	11,362.8	3,254.5	14,617.3	1,021	2,732.2	1,535.3	4,267.5	227
Jan.-July 1960 2/	10,878.9	3,320.1	14,199.0	1,010	2,826.8	1,594.0	4,420.8	223
	Hogs				Sheep and lambs			
	Federally inspected	Other commercial	Total	Av. live weight	Federally inspected	Other commercial	Total	Av. live weight
	Thousand head	Thousand head	Thousand head	Pounds	Thousand head	Thousand head	Thousand head	Pounds
July 1961	4,320.2	833.0	5,153.2	243	1,125.8	184.9	1,310.7	94
July 1960	4,304.4	874.4	5,178.8	242	1,112.8	158.9	1,271.7	96
Jan.-July 1961 2/	36,990.6	6,642.7	43,633.3	239	8,711.2	1,178.3	9,889.5	100
Jan.-July 1960 2/	38,918.3	7,627.3	46,545.6	235	7,813.9	1,025.4	8,839.3	100

1/ Excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded head and live weight.

COMMERCIAL MEAT AND LARD PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES, JULY 1961 1/

Month and period	Beef	Veal	Pork 2/	Lamb and mutton	Total meat 2/	Lard 3/
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
July 1961	1,222	74	723	59	2,078	168
July 1960	1,166	85	724	57	2,032	166
Jan.-July 1961	8,569	541	6,066	481	15,657	1,380
Jan.-July 1960	8,167	557	6,370	426	15,520	1,436

1/ Excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat.

3/ Includes rendered pork fat.

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MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS GRADED, OR ACCEPTED AS COMPLYING WITH SPECIFICATIONS--BY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE 1/

Grade	Beef		Veal and calf		Lamb and mutton	
	July 1961	July 1960	July 1961	July 1960	July 1961	July 1960
	Thous. pounds	Thous. pounds	Thous. pounds	Thous. pounds	Thous. pounds	Thous. pounds
Prime	21,919	13,748	147	116	2,824	4,256
Choice	455,357	395,419	3,719	3,405	21,425	17,898
Good	127,577	145,688	10,368	10,372	690	838
Standard	18,135	19,337	1,311	1,985	--	--
Commercial	2,548	4,056	--	--	--	--
Utility	5,422	4,933	90	135	235	11
Cutter	2,806	717	--	--	--	--
Canner	96	133	--	--	--	--
Cull	--	--	--	1	9	2
Total	633,859	584,032	15,636	16,015	25,182	23,005
Bull and stag beef ..	578	1,033				
All other meats and lard.....	11,947	12,116				

1/ Data pertain only to meats offered to the U. S. Department of Agriculture for grading or acceptance.



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SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Portland
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Spring) - All wts.								
Prime	Sept. 2, 1961	18.70	17.62	17.75	--	18.86	17.46	15.75
	Sept. 3, 1960	20.12	18.85	18.65	--	19.10	18.75	--
Choice	Sept. 2, 1961	17.70	16.88	17.00	15.48	17.40	16.58	15.50
	Sept. 3, 1960	18.55	18.15	17.55	17.00	18.35	17.82	16.54
Good	Sept. 2, 1961	15.98	15.38	15.50	14.72	15.32	14.62	14.00
	Sept. 3, 1960	16.55	16.70	16.40	16.75	17.40	16.75	15.75
EWES: (Shorn) - All wts.								
Good and	Sept. 2, 1961	4.50	3.62	2.50	5.25	4.85	3.55	3.00
Choice	Sept. 3, 1960	4.20	3.25	4.00	--	4.50	3.50	4.50
Cull and	Sept. 2, 1961	4.42	3.62	2.50	4.50	3.60	2.75	2.62
Utility	Sept. 3, 1960	4.10	3.38	3.00	4.38	3.25	2.25	3.25
FEEDER LAMBS - All wts.								
Good and	Sept. 2, 1961	--	14.00	--	10.70	14.72	13.39	11.50
Choice	Sept. 3, 1960	--	17.00	--	13.45	16.10	15.75	14.75